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Applicant: Williams et al.

Serial No.: 09/553223

Filed: 4/20/2000

Title: A COMBINED RAPID ANTI-MICROBIAL SUSCEPTIBILITY ASSAY & MICROORGANISM IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

Group Art Unit: 1651

Examiner: H. Gutman

Docket No.: 14598.34

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed June 26, 2002 finally rejecting claims 27-36 and 43-52.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. STATUS OF APPLICATION

This application is on behalf of

- other than a small entity
 small entity

2. FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> small entity | \$160.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other than a small entity | \$320.00 |

Notice of Appeal fee due \$320.00

3. EXTENSION OF TIME

- (a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:

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Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$110	\$55
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$400	200
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$920	460
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,440	720
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,960	980

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$920.00

or

- (b) Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

4. TOTAL FEE DUE

The total fee due is:

Notice of Appeal fee	\$320.00
Extension fee (if any)	\$920.00
TOTAL FEE DUE \$1,240.00	

5. FEE PAYMENT

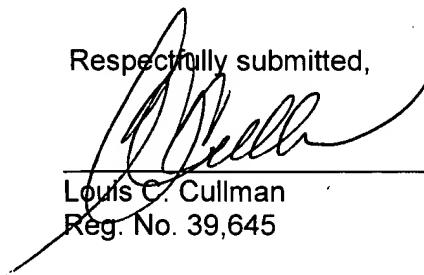
- Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____
- Charge Account No. 50-1901 the sum of \$1,240.00

A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

6. FEE DEFICIENCY

- If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 50-1901.
- If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 50-1901.

Respectfully submitted,


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